

CHAPTER 20

OVERHEAD AND TEAMS

Personnel must be requested by the description found in the Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide, PMS 210, April, 2013, <http://www.nwcg.gov/pms/pubs/pms210.pdf> and in the National Interagency Incident Management System (NIIMS) Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide, PMS 310-1, NFES 001414. All requests will be in one of these categories:

- O = Overhead by position title
- IA = Initial Attack Rappelers and Smokejumpers

National Interagency Incident Management Systems (NIIMS Positions Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

Incident Qualifications Certification System (IQCS Positions codes Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

CRC operates under a closest forces policy, meaning that the nearest (in terms of response time) resource(s) will be dispatched regardless of agency affiliation.

All resources are expected to be self-sufficient when going on assignments. If a resource is not self-sufficient, the dispatch center needs to be notified so that proper arrangements can be made.

Resources are expected to have their red cards with them at all times.

CRC will coordinate air and ground transportation to incidents. Under no circumstances shall individuals take it upon themselves to make any travel arrangements, particularly air travel, without confirmation from the dispatch center.

All overhead requests will be processed through CRC. For in-area and out-of-area requests from RMCC, CRC dispatchers will call qualified personnel within the dispatch center area. It is essential that each agency assures that only qualified and red carded personnel be dispatched. They must also confirm that the personnel have supervisor approval to participate in fire assignments.

Qualifications List

ROSS will be used by CRC to fill local, area, and national overhead requests.

Training Assignments

The Priority Trainee List will be developed by coordination between the various agencies' zone Red Card or Training Committees. They will provide the dispatch center with a list of trainees in priority order. This will be the first document source CRC uses to find and fill trainee slots.

“Trainee”

A trainee is an individual who has completed the appropriate classroom training, meets prerequisite experience requirements, and has an initiated task book but who needs to demonstrate satisfactory performance in the target position for certification. The individual assists in the overall incident effort by performing in the position, and is evaluated by a coach, training specialist, a person already certified in the position or a person in a higher position.

Overhead Mobilization/Demobilization Refer to NMG (Ch. 20)

Name Request Orders Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

For RMC to process a name request, refer to RMG (Ch. 20) for required information.

Interagency Wildland Fire Modules Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)**Smokejumpers** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

Smokejumpers (SMKJ) are ordered on an aircraft order for initial attack. Booster reinforcement of SMKJ will be ordered by RMCC through ROSS. Once the smokejumpers are available for demobilization, CRC will work closely with the jump base or RMCC to coordinate transportation back to the base.

Helicopter Modules Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)**Helicopter Rappelers** Refer to NMG (Ch. 20)**Non-Standard Overhead Groups** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)**Communications Coordinator** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)

Use of another's agency's National Telecommunications and Information (NTIA) approved frequencies is strictly limited to mutually beneficial coordination of managing emergencies. Each agency will cooperate with the others to maintain communication discipline and will grant permission to transmit on its specified frequencies during an interagency effort.

Incident Meteorologists (IMET) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)**Cache Support Positions** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)**Human Resource Specialist** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)**Union Representative** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)**Incident Business Advisors (IBA)** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)**National Incident Management Teams (IMT)** RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)**Incident Management Teams (IMT)** Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

CRC may support a Type 3 team. The team would be formed from a cadre of qualified personnel listed in ROSS. Team configuration would vary from fire to fire; the team would generally consist of:

Type 3 Functional Responsibility**Specific Qualification Standard for Type 3**

**ICT3 Incident Commander Type 3
Safety Officer**

ICT3
Line Safety Officer

Operations

Strike Team Leader or Task Force Leader

Division	Single Resource Boss
Plans	Local Unit can establish level of skill to perform function: Desired: Resource Unit Leader, Situation Unit Leader
Fire Information Officer	Local Unit can establish level of skill to perform function. Desired: IOF3
Logistics Section Chief	Local Unit can establish level of skill to perform function: Desired: Supply Unit Leader
Finance Section Chief	Local Unit can establish level of skill to perform this function. Desired: Personnel or Equipment Time Recorder

Additional positions may be added at the discretion of the Incident Commander if personnel are available. The Incident Commander will coordinate with each Section Chief to identify potential training opportunities for all positions.

Refer to RMG for information regarding Type 1 and Type 2 IMTs.

Rocky Mountain IMT General Operating Guidelines Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

National Incident Management Organization Teams (NIMO) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)

Incident Support Teams

- National and Area Buying Teams (BUYT) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)
- Administrative Payment Teams (APR) Refer to NMG (Ch. 20)
- Burned Area Emergency Response Teams (BAER) Refer to NMG (Ch. 20)
- National Wildland Fire Prevention/Education Teams (NFPET) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)/NMG (Ch. 20)
- Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Teams (CISD) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)
- Wildland Fire & Aviation Safety Teams (FAST) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)
- Aviation Safety Assistance Team (ASAT) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)
- Serious Accident Investigation Team (SAIT) Refer to RMG (Ch. 20)

Resource Availability and Tracking

The movement of personnel and/or equipment between units shall require that both sending and receiving units be responsible for the safety of the personnel and equipment involved.

Resources dispatched internally and externally will have a Chief of Party (COP). The COP will normally be the single resource boss of the engine or crew. The COP is responsible for all personnel assigned to the manifest list. The COP will also notify CRC when they have been

released and are travelling home from an incident. If needed, CRC may designate a COP to each group of resources.

If necessary, CRC will make travel arrangements for resources mobilized to an incident (within and outside the CRC boundary).

Overhead Availability Tracking

All “militia” red-carded fire personnel will report availability by web self-statusing in ROSS. Individuals should report changes to their availability as it occurs. Zone/agency FMO’s are responsible for reporting the availability of their personnel to CRC. CRC will then update their availability in ROSS. If an individual is available, it is assumed that they have their supervisor’s permission to go on a fire assignment and that they are available to go anywhere unless specifically indicated otherwise.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH INDIVIDUAL TO KEEP THEIR AVAILABILITY
UPDATED IN ROSS.